Coordinate Descent

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where:

$$\hat{y_i}^{(-j)} = \theta_0 x_i^0 + \ldots + \theta_d x_i^d$$

is \hat{y}_i without θ_j

Coordinate Descent for Unregularized regression

$$Set \frac{\partial \operatorname{RSS}(\theta_{j})}{\partial \theta_{j}} = 0$$

$$\theta_{j} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\left(y_{i} - \left(\theta_{0} X_{i}^{0} + \dots + \dots + \theta_{d} X_{i}^{d}\right)\right) \left(x_{i}^{j}\right)}{\left(x_{i}^{j}\right)^{2}} = \frac{\rho_{j}}{z_{j}}$$

$$\rho_{j} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{i}^{j} \left(y_{i} - \hat{y}_{i}^{(-j)}\right)$$

$$z_{j} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(x_{i}^{j}\right)^{2}$$

 z_i is the squared of ℓ_2 norm of the j^{th} feature

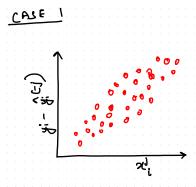
COORDINATE

UNDERSTANDING Pj IN COORDINATE DESCEN

$$p_{j} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{i} \left(y_{i} - \hat{y}_{i}^{c_{j}} \right)$$

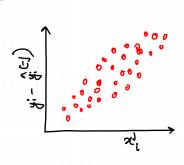
UNDERSTANDING Pj IN COORDINATE DESCENT

$$Pj = \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i^j (y_i - y_i^i)$$



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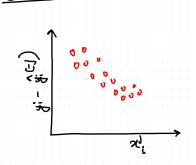
UNDERSTANDING
$$P_j$$
 IN COORDINATE DESCENT
$$P_j = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \chi_i \left(y_i - y_i^{-j} \right)$$
CASE 1



jth FEATURE IS IMPT

AND ITS COEFFICIENT

UNDERSTANDING Pj IN COORDINATE DESCENT
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UNDERSTANDING Pj IN COORDINATE DESCEN

$$Pj = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \chi_{i} \left(y_{i} - y_{i}^{cj} \right)$$

$$\chi_{i}^{j} \text{ WEAK } \left(\text{ORR.} \right)$$

Minimize
$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \epsilon^2 + \delta^2 \left\{ |\theta_0| + |\theta_1| + \dots \left| \theta_j \right| + \dots \left| \theta_d \right| \right\}}_{LASSO\ OBJECTIVE}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j}(\text{LASSO OBJECTIVE}) = -2\rho_j + 2\theta_j \mathbf{z}_j + \delta^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left| \theta_j \right|$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} |\theta_j| = \begin{cases} 1 & \theta_j > 0 \\ [-1, 1] & \theta_j = 0 \\ -1 & \theta_j < 0 \end{cases}$$

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• Case 2: $\theta_{i} < 0$

$$\rho_j < \frac{\delta^2}{2} \Rightarrow \theta_j = \frac{\rho_j + \delta^2/2}{z_j} \tag{1}$$

• Case 3: $\theta_i = 0$

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j}(\text{LASSO OBJECTIVE}) &= -2\rho_j + 2\theta_j \mathbf{Z}_j + \delta^2 \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left| \theta_j \right|}_{\text{[-1,1]}} \\ &\quad \epsilon \underbrace{\left[-2\rho_j - \delta^2, -2\rho_j + \delta^2 \right]}_{\{0\} \text{ lies in this range}} \end{split}$$

$$-2\rho_j - \delta^2 \le 0 \text{ and } -2\rho_j - \delta^2 \le 0$$
$$-\frac{\delta^2}{2} \le \rho_j \le \frac{\delta^2}{2} \Rightarrow \theta_j = 0$$

Summary of Lasso Regression

$$\theta_{j} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\rho_{j} + \frac{\delta^{2}}{2}}{z_{j}} & \text{if} & \rho_{j} < -\frac{\delta^{2}}{2} \\ 0 & \text{if} & -\frac{\delta^{2}}{2} \leq \rho_{j} \leq \frac{\delta^{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\rho_{j} - \frac{\delta^{2}}{2}}{z_{j}} & \text{if} & \rho_{j} > \frac{\delta^{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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 THRESHOLDING

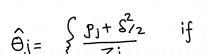
ASSO (SOFT) THRESHOLDING
$$\hat{\Theta}_{j} = \begin{cases} \frac{p_{j} + S^{2}/2}{Z_{j}} & \text{if} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{if} \end{cases}$$

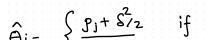
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LASSO (SOFT) MRESHOLDING
$$\hat{A} := \begin{cases} P_j + S_{j2}^2 & \text{if} \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{\Theta}_{i} = \begin{cases} \frac{g_{j} + S^{2}}{2} & \text{if} \end{cases}$$





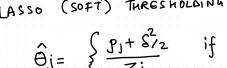
LASSO (SOFT) THRESHOLDING
$$\hat{\Theta}_{j} = \begin{cases} \frac{p_{j} + S^{2}}{Z_{j}} & \text{if} \\ \frac{1}{Z_{j}} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

 $-\frac{8^2}{2} \le \text{Pi}$ $\text{Pi} = 8^2/2$

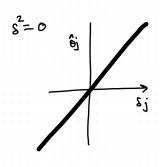
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LASSO (SOFT) THRESHOLDING
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NO REGULARISATION

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